

# LOWELL KIDS WEEK 2011

# FEBRUARY 21-26

Lowell Kids Week is a week of fun, **free** family activities throughout downtown Lowell. Join us! This booklet contains the complete schedule of events for the week. For more information, call Lowell National Historical Park at (978) 970-5000/TDD 5002. You may also contact organizations hosting events using the information listed below.

If you cannot attend an event for which you pre-registered, please call and cancel to make room for others. In the case of bad weather, listen to WCAP 980 AM for possible cancellations.

Thank you to all of the partners of Lowell Kids Week 2011!

#### AMERICAN TEXTILE HISTORY MUSEUM

491 Dutton St. (978) 441-0400 www.athm.org

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151 Merrimack St (978) 458-3939 (www.bn.com

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#### **ENTERPRISE BANK**

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#### GIRLS INCORPORATED OF GREATER LOWELL

220 Worthen St. (978) 458-6529

#### LOWELL FILM COLLABORATIVE

www.lowellfilmcollaborative.org

#### LOWELL NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK

Visitor Center, 246 Market St. Boott Cotton Mills Museum, 115 John St. (978) 970-5000 www.nps.gov/lowe

LOWELL PARKS & RECREATION

(978) 970-4175 http://www.lowellma.gov/depts/parks-recreation

#### LOWELL POLICE DEPARTMENT

www.lowellpolice.com

#### LOWELL SENIOR CENTER

276 Broadway St. (978) 970-4131 www.lowellma.gov/depts/coa

#### NEW ENGLAND QUILT MUSEUM

18 Shattuck St. (978) 452-4207 www.nequiltmuseum.org

#### POLLARD MEMORIAL LIBRARY

401 Merrimack St. (978) 970-4122 www.pollardml.org

#### SPINDLE CITY CORPS

#### TSONGAS INDUSTRIAL HISTORY CENTER

3rd Floor, Boott Cotton Mills Museum, 115 John St. (978) 970-5000 http://uml.edu/tsongas

# LOWELL KIDS WEEK

PROGRAMS AT A GLANCE

### Monday, February 21

Yarn Dolls

Make a Musical Instrument

Movie: Gnomeo and Juliet

Read Art

Rack-in-Time Robbleheads

### Tuesday, February 22

Ice Skating

Discovery Detectives

Friendship Bracelets Extraordinaire

Harry Potter Scavenger Hunt

Origami Animals of the Merrimack River

Olde Tyme Art

Snowflake T-Shirt or Sweatshirt

Movie: *The Sandlot* 

Weaving Workshop #1

Magical Movie Afternoon

### Wednesday, February 23

Decorate a Polar Fleece Scarf

Catch the Beat: A Musical Storytime

Create a Trivet

Water Olympics

Money!

Popsicle Sticks and Plays

Snowflake Pillow

Weaving Workshop #2

# Thursday, February 24

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Reading: Basketball with Big Baby

Be an Inventor

Bowling

Bingo with Your Grandparents!

Waterpower Workshop

Swimming

Tricky Tongue Twister Team Tournament

Knot Your Average Pillow

# Friday, February 25

Money!

Story Time with the Pigeon!

Popsicle Sticks and Plays

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Harry Potter Scavenger Hunt

Swimming

Experience the Life of a Mill Girl

### Saturday, February 26 18

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Bead Art

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All ages No reservations required

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# MOVIE: GNOMED AND JULIET

Shakespeare's tale gets a comical makeover when garden gnomes Gnomeo and Juliet are caught up in a feud between their neighbors. Rated G.

Courtesy of Lowell Parks and Recreation. Registration required. Free tickets given in advance, limit 4 per person. Call (978) 970-4174 for tickets. Movie subject to change.

Monday, February 21 11:15 a.m.— 12:45 p.m.

> **AMC Theater** 440 Middlesex Rd., Tyngsboro

All ages For free tickets, call Lowell Parks and Rec. (978) 970-4174

# TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22

# **ICE SKATING**

Come to the Tsongas Center at UMass Lowell for ice skating! Skate rentals \$5. If you bring your own skates, there will be no charge. Helmets required for children.

**Courtesy of Lowell Parks and Recreation.** Registration required, call (978) 970-4174.

TUESDAY, February 22 8:50 a.m.— 11:50 a.m.

Tsongas Arena at UMass Lowell On Martin Luther King Jr.

300 Martin Luther King Jr. Way

All ages

For reservations, call Lowell Parks and Rec. (978) 970-4174

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American Textile History Museum 491 Dutton St. (978) 441-0400 x 234

All ages Adult supervision required for children under 8 No reservations required

## **DISCOVERY DETECTIVES**

Junior detectives, it's time to use your "little grey cells!" We will explore, discover, and solve!



Tuesday, February 22 10:00 a.m.— 11:00 a.m.

Pollard Memorial Library Meeting Room 401 Merrimack St. (978) 970-4122

Grades 2-4 No reservations required

# ORIGAMI ANIMALS OF THE MERRIMACK RIVER

Do you know what kinds of animals live in the Merrimack River? Come find out by making origami animals of the Merrimack with national park rangers! Tuesday, February 22 11:00 a.m.— 12:00 p.m.

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## **OLDE TYME ART**

Learn to write with quill pens and ink while designing your own journal to write in. If you want to take a break, have your 19th century silhouette made, just like Francis Cabot Lowell!

Tuesday, February 22 1:00 p.m.— 2:00 p.m.

Tsongas Industrial History Center @ Boott Cotton Mills Museum 115 John St., 4th Fl. (978) 970-5000

Ages 8 and up No reservations required

# TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22 (cont.)

# SNOWFLAKE T-SHIRT OR SWEATSHIRT

Participants **must** bring a t-shirt or sweatshirt. You will get a variety of snowflake patterns, transfer the design, cut out your fabric snowflake, and fuse it onto the shirt. Then embellish your snowflakes with glitter paint!

Reservations required, call (978) 458-6529 x103.

Tuesday, February 22 1:00 p.m.— 2:30 p.m.

Girls Inc. of Greater Lowell 220 Worthen St. (978) 458-6529

Ages 8-12 Reservations required, call (978) 458-6529 x103

### MOVIE: THE SANDLOT

When neighborhood baseball guru takes new kid Scotty under his wing, they fall into adventures involving baseball, and much more. But beyond the sandlot fence menaces a legendary ball-eating dog. Rated PG.

Tuesday, February 22 1:00 p.m.— 3:00 p.m. Lowell Senior Center 276 Broadway All ages No reservations required

## **WEAVING WORKSHOP #1**

Learn how cloth is designed, patterned, and made in this unique hands-on workshop. Weave your own piece of cloth using hand looms. Learn the difference between warp and weft, and have fun in the process!

Reservations required, call (978) 970-5000.

Tuesday, February 22 2:30 p.m.— 3:15 p.m.

Tsongas Industrial History Center @ Boott Cotton Mills Museum 115 John St., 3rd Fl. (978) 970-5000

Ages 6-12 Reservations required, call (978) 970-5000.

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# MARVELOUS MOVIE AFTERNOON

Don't miss the continuing adventures of everyone's favorite toy cowboy and astronaut as they leave their comfy home and the boy they love! This 2010 film was the winner of the Golden Globe for Best Animated Feature!

Tuesday, February 22 4:00 p.m.— 5:30 p.m.

Lowell National Historical Park Visitor Center 246 Market St. (978) 970-5000

All ages Reservations not required

# WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23

# **DECORATE A POLAR FLEECE SCARF**

Participants will have the opportunity to hand sew as they embellish a polar fleece scarf with snowflake appliqués.

Reservations required, call (978) 452-4207 x 17.

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Wednesday, February 23 10:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m.

New England Quilt Museum 18 Shattuck St. (978) 452-4207

Ages 8-12 Reservations required, call (978) 452-4207 x17

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# WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23 (cont.)

# CATCH THE BEAT: A MUSICAL STORYTIME

Calling all mini music lovers! If you've got the music in you then come join us for this musical storytime. Our books got rhythm! Move to the music! You'll even get

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Pollard Memorial Library 401 Merrimack St. (978) 970-4122

Ages 4-8, older siblings welcome too! No reservations required

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# MONEY!

Tour the bank vault, see what a teller's job involves, use an ATM, and see what goes on behind the scenes of a bank!

Reservations required, call (978) 970-5000.

Wednesday, February 23 1:00 p.m.— 2:00 p.m.

> Enterprise Bank 222 Merrimack St.

Ages 7-12 Reservations required, call (978) 970-5000

# **CREATE A TRIVET**

to make music!

Create a unique, fun, and useful craft out of cork — a trivet you can use at your family table every day!

Wednesday, February 23 10:00 a.m.— 12:00 p.m.

Lowell National Historical Park, Boott Cotton Mills Museum 115 John St. (978) 970-5000

All ages No reservations required

### POPSICLE STICKS AND PLAYS

Design, create, and decorate your very own popsicle stick puppet based on nursery rhyme characters. Work alongside youth from the Spindle City Corps to create unique clothing and personality for your puppets!

Wednesday, February 23 1:00 p.m.— 2:30 p.m.

Spindle City Corps ® Boott
Cotton Mills Museum

115 John St. (978) 970-5000

Ages 5-9 No reservations required

# WATER OLYMPICS

Can you make water defy gravity?
Come join us as we compete in different "events" which will demonstrate some of the properties of water. Events include pole vault, balance beam, backstroke, and slalom!

Wednesday, February 23 11:00 a.m.— 12:00 p.m.

Tsongas Industrial History Center @ Boott Cotton Mills Museum 115 John St., 3rd Fl. (978) 970-5000

All ages No reservations required

# **SNOWFLAKE PILLOW**

Participants will learn the

Fundamentals of quilting —
cutting fabrics and sewing skills.
Students will create, trace, and cut
snowflakes out of white fabric, fuse
them onto winter themed fabrics,
then assemble a pillow.

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# WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23 (cont.)

# **WEAVING WORKSHOP #2**

Learn how cloth is designed, patterned, and made in this unique hands-on workshop. Weave your own piece of cloth using hand looms. Learn the difference between warp and weft, and have fun in the process!

Reservations required, call (978) 970-5000.

Wednesday, February 23 2:00 p.m.— 2:45 p.m.

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### **BE AN INVENTOR**

Can you design a vehicle to go down a ramp and not lose its cargo? Be creative and have fun when you join national park rangers to see if you can complete the mission!

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Thursday, February 24 10:00 a.m.— 11:00 a.m.

**Tsongas Industrial History** Center @ Boott Cotton Mills Museum 115 John St., 3rd Fl. (978) 970-5000

Ages 8-12 Reservations required, call (978) 970-5000.

### BOWLING

Come to Brunswick Lanes for two rounds of bowling! Free shoe rentals also available with reservation.

Courtesy of Lowell Parks and Recreation.

Thursday, February 24 10:00 a.m.— 12:00 p.m.

**Brunswick Lanes** 647 Pawtucket Blvd.

Ages 8-12 Reservations required, call (978) 970-4175

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# THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24

# READING: BASKETBALL WITH BIG RARY

Lowell General Hospital's Children's Literacy Council presents local author Jon Goode, reading from his new book Basketball with Big Baby. We will raffle off 50 autographed copies signed by Glen Davis, aka Big Baby, from the Celtics. Snacks provided!

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Lowell General Hospital **a** Boys and Girls Club 657 Middlesex St. (978) 788-7224

All ages No reservation required

# BINGO WITH YOUR GRANDPARENTS!

Bring your parents and grandparents for fun bingo games, pizza, and stuffed animal prizes!

**Courtesy of Lowell Police Department.** 

Thursday, February 24 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

**Lowell Senior Center** 276 Broadway

All ages No reservations required



# THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24 (cont.)

# WATERPOWER WORKSHOP

Design, build, and operate a canal system just like the Proprietors of Locks and Canals did in Lowell in the early 1800s. All participants will get a hands-on canal building experience. Be ready for fun, and maybe to get a little wet!

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> Ages 6-12 Reservations required, call (978) 970-5000

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# KNDTYOUR AVERAGE PILLOW

Participants will learn to make their own fleece pillow with a ruler, scissor, cotton stuffing, and basic knotting skills.

Reservations required, call (978) 458-6529 x105

Thursday, February 24 3:00 p.m.— 4:00 p.m.

Girls Inc. of Greater Lowell 220 Worthen St. (978) 458-6529

Ages 7-12 Reservations required, call (978) 458-6529 x105

### **SWIMMING**

Go for a swim in the Lowell High School pool!

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# TRICKY TONGUE TWISTER TEAM TOURNAMENT

Each team (2-4 young people per team) will get a tongue twister...then we'll add some extra challenges! Try saying "Sally sells seashells" with a mouthful of jelly donut. Each round will get progressively harder — the last team standing wins!

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Pollard Memorial Library Ground Fl. Meeting Room 401 Merrimack St. (978) 970-4122

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All ages Adult supervision required for children under 8 No reservations required

### STORY TIME WITH THE PIGEON!

Join us for story time with the pigeon and the Knufflebunny!
Make your very own pigeon popsicle stick puppet and play fun pigeon games at your downtown bookstore. Enjoy some cookies and wonderful stories.

Friday, February 25 11:00 a.m.— 12:00 p.m.

Barnes & Noble Downtown 151 Merrimack St. (978) 458-3939

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# EXPERIENCE THE LIFE OF A LOWELL MILL GIRL

Meet a costumed interpreter for a tour of the historic Boott Cotton Mills boardinghouse. See where young mill workers lived over 100 years ago, and complete letters written by the girls to their families.

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# **FUN EXTRAS ALL WEEK LONG!**

The **BOOTT COTTON MILLS MUSEUM** at Lowell National Historical Park will offer FREE admission to youth ages 16 and under during Lowell Kids Week 2011!

115 John St. Daily, 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (978) 970-5000

**SCAVENGER HUNT!** Test your skills — how well do you know downtown Lowell? Look for the clues to find the answer. Scavenger hunt will be available throughout Lowell Kids Week 2011 at the Lowell National Historical Park Visitor Center. Return your completed form to the Visitor Center and pick a prize from the treasure box!

246 Market Street Daily, 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. (978) 970-5000

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